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1. The hull on the large slip in the Baltic Yard bore a striking resemblance to a SVERDLOV Class cruiser, but it was almost certainly larger than a vessel of this class. The hull will probably be launched early next year.
2. Three SVERDLOV Class cruisers [redacted] were fitting out. Construction of these vessels should be completed in the spring and summer of 1956.
3. Small- and medium-size tankers were being constructed with every appearance of urgency in the Baltic and Marti yards on the slips which previously were used for cruiser construction.
4. Construction of TALLINN Class destroyers in the Zhdanov Yard was continuing at an estimated rate of six a year.
5. "Z" and "Q" Class submarine construction was continuing at the Sudomekh Yard. The dimensions and appearance of the new assembly sheds in the Baltic and Marti yards suggested that these sheds could be used for the construction of submarines of the largest types. If these new sheds were used to produce submarines at their full capacity, submarine output from Leningrad would be trebled, and the overall output of the Soviet Union would be increased by 20 percent.
6. It appeared that two-shift work systems were employed in all yards, finishing at 2300 hours daily. A full six-day week was worked.
7. Obviously every effort had been made to put all possible building slips under cover. A great deal of modernization had been carried out in the yards.
8. Old and obsolescent submarines were still being used for basic training and were being maintained, at least outwardly, in good order.
9. There appeared to be no visible improvement in the appearance and bearing of the average Soviet naval officer.

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